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SUBJECT: EXPANSION OF AEROFLOT INTERNATIONAL ROUTES

REF: A) MADRID 4256, B) MAPUTO 0723

1. CENTRAL PRESS REPORTED THAT ON JULY 5 REGULAR AEROFLOT SERVICE WAS INITIATED BETWEEN MOSCOW AND MAPUTO. THE NEW ROUTE, ONE OF AEROFLOT'S LONGEST, IS MORE THAN 11,000 KILOMETERS LONG AND WILL INCLUDE STOPS IN CAIRO, ADEN, MOGADISCIO AND DAR-ES-SALAAM. TU-154 AIRCRAFT WILL BE USED IN THE ONCE-WEEKLY FLIGHTS.

2. ON JULY 8, ONCE-WEEKLY TU-154 FLIGHTS TO ACCRA WILL BE INITIATED. THE 8,000 KILOMETER ROUTE WILL INCLUDE STOPS IN VIENNA, TRIPOLI, AND LAGOS. ACCORDING TO CENTRAL PRES, GHANA WILL BECOME THE 22ND AFRICAN AND 73RD COUNTRY OVERALL TO BE SERVED BY AEROFLOT.

3. AND IT WAS ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT REGULAR FLIGHTS TO MADRID ARE PLANNED TO BEGIN IN MID-JULY.

4. COMMENT: LACK OF DETAIL ON INITIATION OF SERVICE TO MADRID COULD INDICATE THE QUESTION OF INTERMEDIATE POINTS IS STILL UNCLASSIFIED

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